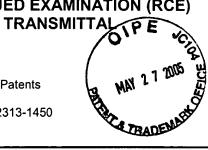
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)



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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), fulfills the requirement for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, further responds to the Final Office Action mailed December 30, 2004, and accompanies a Petition for Extension of Time of two months, extending the period for reply through May 31, 2005 (May 30th being a holiday). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.